

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC MEETING ABOUT THE DRAFT REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN FOR THE CLEANUP OF CONTAMINATED SOIL AND GROUNDWATER AT THE FORMER PURITY OIL SITE 1324 NORTH A STREET SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites public comments on the Draft Remedial Action Plan (RAP) for the cleanup of contaminated soil and groundwater at the former Southern Pacific Transportation Company's Purity Oil site, 1324 North A Street Site. The Purity Oil site, a former oil reprocessing plant, is on the north side of downtown Sacramento in Sacramento County. Under the California Environmental Quality Act, DTSC must judge whether the proposed actions in the Draft RAP could or will hurt the environment. DTSC has proposed a California Environmental Quality Act Negative Declaration for this project.

The Draft RAP discusses the remedial investigations, risk assessments and feasibility study for selection of the best remedy for site soils and ground water. Also, the Draft RAP is DTSC's proposed selection of the best remedy for this site. The RAP proposes removing the contaminated soil and transporting it by truck and rail car to an approved landfill. DTSC also proposes continuous monitoring and sampling of the groundwater over the next five years to see if the contamination naturally degrades over time.

The public comment period begins on Wednesday, May 7, 2003 and ends Friday, June 6, 2003. Written comments regarding the Draft RAP or proposed CEQA Negative Declaration must be postmarked by Friday, June 6, 2003, and sent to Mr. Shawn Paonessa, Project Manager, Department of Toxic Substances Control, 8800 Cal Center Drive, Sacramento, CA 95826 or by email to spaonessa@dtsc.ca.gov.

Oral or written comments may also be submitted at the public meeting on:

Thursday, May 15, 2003
7:15 p.m.
Sacramento County Dept. of Human Assistance
Conference Room
1590 North A Street
Sacramento, California 95814

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the proposed remedy, answer questions and receive comments that members of the community may have regarding this proposed action. After the close of the public comment period, DTSC will make a final decision on the Draft RAP after considering all oral and written comments. All people who comment will receive a copy of DTSC's responses to comments.

A copy of the Draft RAP, Negative Declaration and related documents are available at: **Sacramento Public Library** 828 I Street Sacramento, California 95814 (916) 264-2920 To review the full administrative record, please contact:

DTSC - Sacramento File Room
8800 Cal Center Drive
Sacramento, CA 95826
(916) 255-3743 – Shawn Paonessa

For further information, please contact Shawn Paonessa, Project Manager, DTSC, at (916) 255-3743 or Nathan Schumacher, Public Participation Specialist, DTSC, at (916) 255-3650.

Notice to Hearing Impaired Individuals: You can obtain additional information about the 1324 North A Street site by using the California State Relay Service at 1-888-877-5378 (TDD). Ask them to contact Nathan Schumacher at 916-255-3650

Meeting Accessibility: For information on accessibility and to request reasonable accommodations, please call Nathan Schumacher at 916-255-3650 by May 12, 2003.